

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  PEOPLES NATURAL GAS COMPANY, DIVISION OF UTILICORP UNITED INC.	DOCKET NO. RFU-02-1 (PGA-01-70)
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**ORDER APPROVING REFUND PLAN**

(Issued February 26, 2002)

On December 18, 2001, the Utilities Board (Board) issued an order in Docket No. PGA-01-70 directing Peoples Natural Gas Company, Division of UtiliCorp United Inc. (Peoples), to file a refund plan for Board approval. The refund plan is required to return an over-collection of approximately \$8,147,014. On January 10, 2002, Peoples filed the refund plan. Peoples will refund the over-collection by bill credit as authorized by 199 IAC 19.10(7). Peoples filed a revision to the plan on February 11, 2002, reflecting a correction to sales amounts used to make the refund calculations.

The Board finds that the refund complies with Board rules and is reasonable. Peoples' customers will receive a refund of \$0.043572 per ccf for residential and interruptible customers, and \$0.1959 per ccf for firm joint customers. The amount of the refund for a typical residential and interruptible customer using 1200 ccfs will be \$52.29 and \$235.08 for a typical firm joint customer. The refund will be distributed in the March billing cycle.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. The refund plan filed by Peoples Natural Gas Company, Division of UtiliCorp United Inc., on January 10, 2002, is approved.
2. Peoples Natural Gas Company, Division of UtiliCorp United Inc., shall file a refund report within 30 days of the completion of the refund.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

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/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2002.